

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 581

By Kilby

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Amanda June Blakley,
2003 Valedictorian of Oneida High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Amanda Blakley is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2003 graduating class at Oneida High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Amanda has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, she has earned an exemplary 4.05 grade point average; and

WHEREAS, in addition to this stellar academic achievement, Ms. Blakley has been involved in a number of activities throughout her high school career; she has been a member of the Student Council, the Beta Club, and the Best Buddies Club. A conscientious young woman, Amanda Blakley has participated in many food drives, and is a member of her church's Youth Group and Handbell Choir; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Blakley displayed her remarkable athletic ability on the racquetball court, the track oval, and the soccer field, where she garnered the Best Sweeper Award; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to accolades, Amanda Blakley has earned the Academic Achievers Award, is listed on the National Honor Roll, and was recognized as "Most Academic" by her classmates; and

WHEREAS, Amanda's noteworthy accomplishments are a tremendous source of pride for her parents, John and Shelia Blakley, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Blakley's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; she plans to attend Tennessee Technological University in the fall, where she will focus her studies on Pre-Medicine; and

WHEREAS, Amanda Blakley's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor 2003 Oneida High School Valedictorian, Amanda June Blakley, on her impressive academic achievement, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.